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Our Market Letter this week con-
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BOSTON & MAINE RAILROAD.

Corrected to Dec. 1, 1902. Trains leave Ben-
nington daily, except Sunday, unless otherwise
noted.

TRAINS LEAVING.									
TO	TR	TR	TR	TR	TR	TR	TR	TR	TR
Troy	7:30	8:30	9:30	10:30	11:30	12:30	1:30	2:30	3:30
Bennington	7:45	8:45	9:45	10:45	11:45	12:45	1:45	2:45	3:45
White Creek	7:50	8:50	9:50	10:50	11:50	12:50	1:50	2:50	3:50
Wilmington	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00
North Bennington	8:10	9:10	10:10	11:10	12:10	1:10	2:10	3:10	4:10
Bennington	8:20	9:20	10:20	11:20	12:20	1:20	2:20	3:20	4:20

TRAINS ARRIVING.									
FROM	TR	TR	TR	TR	TR	TR	TR	TR	TR
Troy	7:15	8:15	9:15	10:15	11:15	12:15	1:15	2:15	3:15
Bennington	7:30	8:30	9:30	10:30	11:30	12:30	1:30	2:30	3:30
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Additional trains leave Troy at 10 a. m. due
Bennington 8:30 a. m. and leave Bennington
8:30 p. m. due Troy 8:30 p. m.

* This train runs daily.

* Stops only on signal to take, or on notice
to conductor, to leave passengers.

Time 8 a. m.

For further information address C. A. Nimmo,
Western Passenger Agent, Troy, N. Y.

D. F. F. and Ticket Agt.

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RUTLAND RAILROAD.

Corrected to November 25, 1902. Trains leave Ben-
nington daily, except Sunday, unless
otherwise noted.

GOING SOUTH.

1:10 a. m. Express daily for Troy, Albany
and New York.

7:35 a. m. Passenger for Troy, Albany and
New York.

12:35 p. m. Mail for Troy, Albany, New York
and West.

4:10 p. m. Flyer for Troy, Albany and New
York.

5:20 p. m. Express for Troy and Albany.

7:40 p. m. Passenger daily for Troy and Al-
bany.

GOING NORTH.

1:15 a. m. Express daily for Rutland, Burling-
ton, Montpelier, Ogdensburg and
West. Pullman sleeping cars to
Montreal and Ottawa.

7:45 a. m. Passenger for Rutland, Burlington,
Montpelier and Ogdensburg.

12:35 p. m. Flyer for Rutland, Burlington,
Montpelier and Ogdensburg.

1:10 p. m. Local Passenger for Rutland, Burling-
ton and intermediate stations.

7:15 p. m. Passenger only for Rutland and Bur-
lington.

Trains from Rutland arrive at Bennington
10 a. m., 1:30 p. m., 3:40 p. m., 8:10 p. m.

C. R. HARRISON, General Passenger Agt.
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Rutland, Vt.

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School Teachers and Wages.

The state papers are giving a good
deal of attention to the question of
teachers' wages, it having been shown
that the average wages received by
Vermont school teachers is less than
\$25 per month.

There are two great faults with the
schools of Vermont. First is the fact
that too many small schools are main-
tained, dividing up the resources of
the small towns to such an extent that
they cannot afford to maintain any
schools of a better class. The second
fault is the natural result of the first—
the ease with which incompetent girls
and failures in other things, get certi-
ficates or permits to teach.

There is no better school in the
world than an old fashioned country
district school, if it is well conducted.
A bright pupil or one with an even
moderate ability will learn fifty per
cent more rapidly and thoroughly
than in the best graded school in
Vermont, though a stupid child is
perhaps better off in a graded school.
There is, however, no reason why a
sparsely settled country town should
maintain ten schools of six pupils each
when two of 30 or three of 20 would be
better in every respect.

There is no better spent money in
the state today than that used in
transporting children to and from
school—provided the school is a good
one. Very few Vermont towns are too
poor to maintain two or three good
schools and this they should do and
provide for carrying the pupils to and
fro, as comfortably and quickly as possible.

This reform once made, the other
would take care of itself for it is the
multiplicity of small schools that
create the swarm of ill paid teachers,
who get little and deserve less. Teachers'
examinations in this state are
none too hard, but the examinations
even are nullified by the provision of
law allowing short time permits for
teaching to be issued to almost any-
body.

The writer has in mind visiting a
district school working under a per-
mit of this class a few years ago and
listening to a young, so called, teach-
er industriously endeavoring to im-
press on the minds of a class of two
small boys that "nine times eight is
73 and nine times nine is 84."

Vermont needs better paid teachers,
but only on the ground that they are
worth paying more. Power and better
schools should be the watchword of
school reform in this state.

Partisanship in town and village
matters is gradually growing unpopu-
lar in intelligent and progressive com-
munities. The Boston Globe of last
Sunday tells of an instance in which
strife of this kind has had its day.
For a number of years Clinton, Mass.,
has had the reputation of having fully
as spicy town meetings and annual
elections as any other town in New
England. Here the people have con-
ducted affairs strictly on party lines
when it came to electing town officials.
The last election was a particularly
breezy one, but the signs now point to
the conclusion that the days of party
strife in local affairs have closed their
career. The generals in the last con-
test were C. Frank Fairbanks and
Thomas L. Walsh, chairmen respectively
of the republican and democratic
town committees, who are warm
personal friends; but no one watching
the course of the conflict would have
imagined that such could be a possi-
bility, judging from their methods to
defeat each the purposes of the other.
Both of those political leaders have
announced to their friends that it is
their belief that the best interests of
the town cannot be subserved by fac-
tional fights, and both assert that an-
other year will find them advocating
a citizen movement as the surest way
to secure for the town the best results.

Pneumonia Follows a Cold
but never follows the use of Foley's Honey
and Tar. It stops the cough, heats and
strengthens the lungs and affords perfect se-
curity from an attack of pneumonia. Refuse
substitutes. Q. L. H. Pharmacy.

What's in a Name?

Everything is in the name when it comes to
Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co., of
Chicago, discovered some years ago how to
make a live from witch hazel that is a spe-
cial for Piles. For hind, bleeding, itching
and protruding piles, hemorrhoids, burns,
bruises and all skin diseases, DeWitt's Salve
has no equal. This has given rise to numer-
ous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's
—the genuine. B. A. Quinlan.

Carpet Cleaning, Etc.

Have your Spring carpet work attended to
now before the rush comes on. We do all
kinds of carpet work; lay oil cloth, linoleum,
matting, etc., hang curtains, take orders for
dyeing carpets, clothing, etc. Let us send off
your old carpets and have them made into
beautiful rugs. H. T. Cottrell Steam Carpet
Cleaning Works.

Governor McCullough has appoint-
ed, Friday, April 17, as Arbor day.
His proclamation contains some
mighty good advice as to the preser-
vation of the trees we already have.
Relative to Arbor day the governor
says:—"On that day let the elm and
the maple be planted by the school-
house, the church, the homestead, the
roadway. Good road-beds and shade
trees build up the countryside, add to
the wealth of the farmer by lifting
farm values, and attract and attach
the stranger within our gates and con-
vert the summer visitor into a per-
manent resident. But beside planting,
it behooves this generation to pre-
serve. Preserve the trees by the high-
way from the wanton felling, cutting
and slashing of the modern vandal,
especially the linemen of the trolley,
the telephone, the telegraph, the elec-
tric light—more destructive in their
ravages than the gypsy moth or the
elm beetle. Install the lesson then on
Arbor day to plant and preserve the
forest, the wood, the grove, the tree;
that the rainfall may be regulated, the
public park improved, the landscape
made more alluring, the drive more
inviting, the grounds about the school
house and the church more beautiful,
and the homestead even more attrac-
tive."

The testimony at the investigation
of the recent scalding to death of a
patient at the Waterbury asylum for
the insane showed that a young at-
tendant was expected to give eight re-
fractory insane women a bath in an
hour. The only surprising thing
about it is to find that one of the
patients remained long enough in the
tub to get scalded, to say nothing of
getting washed. It is also shown that
the girl attendants receive the extra-
vagant salary of three dollars per
week. It ought to be easy to get the
very best of help at such magnificent
wages and with nothing to do but to
strip patients and give them baths at
the rate of eight per hour and a few
other similarly light chores.

The license commissioners in sever-
al towns are having trouble over the
question what constitutes a church. In
Barre and other places there are re-
ligious societies which hold services
in a hall and members of these orga-
nizations claim that the society is the
"church" while others hold that the
law refers to a church building. The
contest bids fair to become as mem-
orable as the legislature's famous argu-
ment several years ago over the
question, "When does a pup become a
dog?"

"No, all the hands have not left me,"
said the manufacturer whose employ-
ees were striking. "I have a couple
left yet."

"Where are they?"

"On the clock."

And just then the clock struck two.—
From Four-Track News for April.

The New England Telephone com-
pany has made the following reduction
in rates, to take effect April 1: For
business, special line, from \$18 to \$30;
two party line, from \$30 to \$33; for
residence, special line, from \$30 to \$33;
two party line, from \$33 to \$37.

James Moon of Bennington tried to
rob a store by moonlight and light
out, but he was too light and now lies
in jail; later he will lie in court.—Mid-
dlebury Register.

Letter to James McGurk.

Bennington, Vt.

Dear Sir: You'd strike it rich if
you could find a way to shave your
customers in less time, for less cost,
and make the shave last twice or three
times as long.

You wouldn't shave the same person
so many times, nor get so much of his
money; but the whole town would be
talking about you, and everybody
would come to you for a shave.

Devote lead and zinc is exactly that
in paints. It takes fewer gallons, and
it wears longer. Costs less for the job,
and you don't have to do it again for
years and years—six years at least.

"Fewer gallons," wears longer."

Takes fewer gallons to paint a house
with Devco Lead and Zinc than with
mixed paints; and it wears longer than
mixed paints or lead and oil.

Yours truly,

F. W. Devco & Co.,

O. E. Gibson, dealer.

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ADMINISTRATORS' SALE.

The undersigned will sell at public auction on
the premises at

Wednesday, March 25, 1903.

At 10 o'clock A. M.

The James Boardman Homestead

Located corner North and County streets in
the village of Bennington, Vt., consisting of the
homestead residence, three barns, tenement
house and about 4 acres of land, with abundance
of fruit. The property has a frontage of about
20 feet on North street and about 100 feet on
County street.

Also the income on about 2 acres of land occu-
pied by the Myers Lumber and Coal yards, pay-
ing \$100 annually.
The above described property will be sold in
whole or in parts.

Terms cash.

R. M. Houghton, Adm'r.

JOHN ROBINSON, Auctioneer.

Thomas Morrissey's Estate

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

On the 28th day of March, A. D. 1903, at two
o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises, I will
sell at public auction to the highest bidder, un-
der license from the Probate Court, the real es-
tate whereof Thomas Morrissey, late of Ben-
nington, Vermont, and deceased, consisting of a
dwelling house and lot situate in the Village of
Bennington, Vermont, and bounded on the south
by the street known as the County street, and
Mrs. John Elyan, on the north by lands of Hol-
den, Leonard & Co. and on the west by lands of
Miss Mary Ann Elyan.

EDWARD SAUVILLE, Administrator.

Bennington, Vt. March 9, 1903.

Notice to Sell Real Estate of

Susan M. Ranney, Deceased.

STATE OF VERMONT. In Probate Court

District of Bennington, ss. I, Court held at

Bennington, on the 11th day of March, A. D. 1903.

Present, John V. Carney, Judge.

Wm. W. Ranney, administrator of the estate of

Susan M. Ranney, late of Bennington in said dis-
trict, deceased, makes application to said court
for license to sell the real estate of said de-
ceased situate in the town of Bennington
for bonds and description reference may be
had to the probate office in Bennington, Vt.,
office in the town of Bennington, aforesaid, re-
presenting that the sale of said real estate will
be beneficial to the estate of said deceased and
those interested in said estate.

Whereupon, it is ordered by said court, that
said application be referred to a session there-
of, to be held at the Probate Office in Bennington,
in said district, on the 30th day of March, A. D.
1903, for hearing and decision thereon; and
that notice thereof be given to all parties in-
terested in said estate by publication of notice
of said application and order thereon, three
weeks successively in the Banner and Reformer,
a newspaper published at Bennington, and which
circulates in the neighborhood of the real es-
tate, and which appears at said time and place,
and if they see cause, object thereto.

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